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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 3210**
Mitsuru YONEYAMA et al. : Docket No. 2003-0891A
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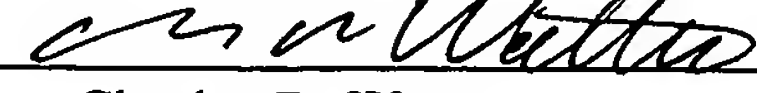
In the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004, the Examiner applied (in item 5 on page 4 of the Office Action) the Kayama reference (JP 03-015412).

The Examiner did not cite this reference on a Form PTO-892, but rather cited this reference at the bottom of the Form PTO-1449 which the Applicants had submitted on July 28, 2003. As such, Applicants were not supplied with a copy of the JP 03-015412 reference or the Japan patent abstract thereof.

Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner forward to Applicants a copy of the JP 03-015412 document cited in the Office Action. In addition, it is requested that the period for response to the Office Action be restarted as of the date the Examiner forwards the missing document.

Respectfully submitted,

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